(घ) क्या इस नीति के अन्तर्गत लघु और मझोले दर्जे के समाचार पत्रों के हितों को ध्यान में रखा गया है, और तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम्): (क) से (घ) अखबारी कागज के आयात के लिए दिनांक 1 मई, 1995 से मुक्त रूप से अनुमति दे दी गई है। मुक्त रूप से आयात की यह सुविधा लघु एवं मध्यम श्रेणी के समाचार पत्रों को भी उपलब्ध है। इसके अलावा, अखबारी कागज नियंत्रण आदेश, 1962 की अनुसूची-1 में उल्लिखित मिलों के वार्षिक उत्पादन का 1/3 हिस्सा लघु एवं मध्यम श्रेणी के उन समाचार पत्रों के लिए निर्धारित किया गया है जिनकी वार्षिक जरूरत 200 एमटी तक है।

अमरीकी कानूनों का उल्लंघन करने वाले देशों के खिलाफ एकतरफा प्रतिबन्ध

1875. **श्री सुन्दर सिंह भंडारी**: क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि संयुक्त राज्य अमेरिका को विश्व व्यापार में अमरीकी कानूनों का उल्लंघन करने वाले देशों पर एकतरफा प्रतिबन्ध लगाने का पूरा-पूरा अधिकार है; और

(ख) इस संबंध में सरकार का रवैया क्या है?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम्): (क) जी, नहीं। विश्व व्यापार संगठन (डब्ल्यू टी ओ) के विवाद निपटान प्रावधानों के अनुसार किसी सदस्य द्वारा किसी अन्य सदस्य से रियायतें वापस लिए जाने से पहले बहुपक्षीय प्राधिकार प्राप्त करना होगा। वे विवादों के निपटान में एकपक्षीय व्यापार कार्रवाई को प्राधिकृत नहीं करते हैं। डब्ल्यू टी ओ के विवाद निपटान प्रावधानों का उल्लंघन करने की कोई भी व्यापार कार्रवाई बहुपक्षीय संधि के प्रावधानों के अनुरूप नहीं होगी।

(ख) भारत की हमेशा यह राय रही है कि व्यापार संबंधी मामलों पर कोई एकपक्षीय कार्रवाई नहीं होनी चाहिए, बल्कि ऐसे मामलों को किसी स्थापित विवाद-निपटान तंत्र के जरिए हल किया जाना चाहिए।

Review panel on Super Bazar

1876. SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently taken a decision to setup a review panel on Super Bazar;

(b) if so, what is the composition of this panel and norms laid down by Government in this regard;

(c) whether MP's would be included in the said panel; and

(d) by when the review panel is likely to be set-up?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Question does not arise.

Attendance of official nominees

1877. SHRI M. RAJASEKHARA MURTHY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the official nominees on the Committees of Administration or Managing Committees of Export Promotion Councils including Federation of Indian Export Organisations attend the meetings regularly;

(b) if so, the details of attendance during the last three years of each such Government nominee on such Committees;

(c) the action taken in the matter in cases of irregular attendance; and

(d) whether such Government nominees are required to submit reports to Government regarding Para 150 of the Import Policy and if not, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A statement showing the details of attendance of Government nominees on all EPCs including FIEO is given in Annexure-I (See appendix 174, annexure no. 52)

(c) Question does not arise, as the attendance is not irregular and moreover there is no provision in the Constitutions of EPC's including FIEO in this regard.

(d) The Government nominees are not required to submit specific reports to the Government regarding para 150 of the Export-Import Policy, as by attending the meetings of the different Committees on which they are Members, they ensure that the Councils are functioning in accordance with the objectives

set-out for them in the Exim Policy as well as in their respective Articles of Association.

Poverty among Beedi Workers in Andhra Pradesh

1878. SHRI MOHAN BASU: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has done any survey of the poverty amongst beedi workers in Chittoor District of Andhra Pradesh;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a large sector of unorganised beedi workers in some parts of Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) how Government propose to ensure that welfare schemes reach the un-organised beedi workers?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA) (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The approximate number of beedi workers in Andhra Pradesh is 6.25 lakhs and they are being provided with various welfare facilities such as education, housing, medical and recreation under the Beedi Workers Welfare Fund Act, 1976.

Migration of Labourers from Orissa to Delhi

1879. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether some construction companies in Delhi have engaged migrant workers from Orissa;

(b) if so, the details of those construction companies;

(c) whether M/s. Continental Construction Company is one of those private companies where migrant workers from Orissa are employed at a cheap rate;

(d) whether the company has also been engaged in malpractice and deputing these migrant workers from Orissa to Shimla Uttar Kashi and several other construction sites where they have not been paid minimum wages and other facilities which are required to be paid to those workers; and

(e) if so, the action initiated against those workers?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Maintenance of P.F. Accounts in Council for Indian School Certificate Examination

1880. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Council for Indian School Certificate Examinations has approached the appropriate authorities under Employees Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act for action against concerned officials of the Council for their failures to maintain PF accounts;

(b) if so, when and how many complaints/ letters were received and action taken on each of them;

(c) how much money the Council has deposit with the PF authorities so far;

(d) how many documents have been submitted to the PF authorities by the Council alongwith details thereof indicating whether these are in order; and

(e) how many more documents are to be submitted by the Council and by when these documents are expected to be submitted?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) There complaints dated 8.8.94, 24.8.94 and 7.,3,95 alleging P.F. irregularities were received from the Council for Indian School Certificate Examination, Mazdoor Sabha. The matter raised in the complaints has been investigated by a Special Squad of the EPF Organisation. There is no irregularity or violation of serious nature as alleged in the complaint.

(c) Rs. 21,47,467.65

(d) The Forms 5A, 9A, 3A & 6A submitted by the establishment have been found in order.

(e) Nil.

संसद सदस्य स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास योजना के अंतर्गत असंतोषजनक कार्य के संबंध में कार्यवाही

1881. **श्री राम देव भंडारी:** क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या कोई सांसद संसद सदस्यों की स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास योजनाओं के कार्यान्वयन के लिये काम कराने हेतु किसी निर्दिष्ट सरकारी एजेंसी के बारे में सुझाव दे सकता है;